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MODULAR MUFFLER WITH REMOVABLE CARTRIDGE ASSEMBLY

which was described and claimed in a specification filed on December 5, 2003 under serial number 10/729,413.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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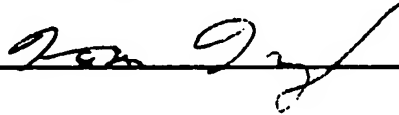
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